Kelley Hopeful of Fewer Law-Enforcement Deaths

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FBI Director Clarence M. Kelly says he is hopeful that the nation can continue to reduce the number of law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty.

The FBI reported Sunday that 109 local, state and federal law enforcement officers died at the hands of criminals in 1976, 20 fewer than in 1975.

Kelly said he hopes police departments, by closely examining the circumstances in which their personnel die, can reduce the number of killings in the future.